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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Belgard

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- 25X1 1. Until early 1951, the barracks installation on the south side of the road to
25X1 Koerlin (O 55/A 33) southwest of the railroad station in Belgard (O 55/A 43)
was occupied by a Soviet infantry unit at the estimated strength of a regiment.
Ten trucks at the most were seen in the barracks yard. In the fall of 1949,
the unit, armed with rifles only, marched from the installation toward the
center of the town. It required more than 20 minutes for them to pass by.
- 25X1 2. A Soviet troop headquarters was located in the former Altersheim (Home for Aged
25X1 People) on the northeast edge of the town west of the road to Pumlau (O 55/A 43)
in the late summer of 1950. The installation consisted of a four-story building
with two sheds. Soviet officers including one with broad red stripes on the
outer seams on his trousers, [redacted]
[redacted] were frequently seen entering, and leaving, the installation.
3. In the fall of 1950, a Soviet tank unit was quartered in the new barracks
installation northeast of the town on the west side of the road to Pumlau.
Several tanks and trucks were seen in the barracks yard. Most of the tanks
and trucks were parked immediately west of the installation. Tanks were seen
several times leaving the installation toward Pumlau. Their guns had muzzle
brakes.
- 25X1 4. Parked tanks were seen in the barracks installation southeast of the town on
the east side of the road to Polzin (O 54/A 40) in the fall of 1950. Other
tanks and trucks left the installation towards the town.
- 25X1 5. The post training field was located west of the town in the area south and south
25X1 east of Hedlin. Only infantry training was observed there. Another training
25X1 field was northeast of the town on the road to Pumlau. [redacted]
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- 25X1 * [redacted] Comment. [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] The present report tends to
25X1 indicate that in addition to the infantry regiment mentioned, there was also a
25X1 tank regiment located in Belgard until early 1951. Since the 26th Gds Mecz
25X1 Div is carried in the area of Belgard-Gross Born, it is possible that the two
25X1 regiments may be the 33d Mecz Regt, which had already carried in Belgard, and
a tank regiment of that division.

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